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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

EAST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

LAFAYETTE BAPTIST CHURCH, LAFAYETTE, ALA.,

SEPTEMBER 20, 21, 22, 1892.

OFFICERS.

REV. J. P. SHAFFER, *Moderator*.....Dadeville, Ala.

REV. W. C. BLEDSOE, *Secretary and Treasurer*,.....LaFayette, Ala.

The next session will be held with the Roanoke Church, Roanoke, Ala., beginning :
on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1893. Rev. J. L. Gregory to
preach the Introductory Sermon; Rev. G. L. Bell, alternate.

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PROCEEDINGS.

LAFAYETTE, ALA., September 20, 1892.

1. The East Liberty Baptist Association assembled in fifty-seventh annual session in the meeting house of the LaFayette Baptist church on Tuesday, September 20, A. D. 1892.

2. After a half hour of devotional exercises, Rev. John P. Shaffer, the Moderator, called the body to order at 10 o'clock a. m.

3. The letters from the churches were read and the following delegates enrolled:

1. Antioch—T. J. Gilliland, W. B. Bledsoe, J. T. Hood, T. R. Jones and J. S. Woodydy.
 2. Beulah—G. W. Hunt, J. L. Yarbrough.
 3. Bethlehem—F. W. Shank, F. P. Bradfield.
 4. Bethel, Lee—H. Graves
 5. Bethel, Chambers—G. H. Burks, T. N. Jones.
 6. Cusseta—G. W. Shealey, J. B. Barrow, J. M. Vernon.
 7. County Line—L. L. TeBow, T. J. Dean, H. C. Woodydy, C. P. Hunter, J. F. Key.
 8. Camp Hill—J. P. Seroyer, T. J. Gann, B. H. Walker, W. R. Dawson, A. C. Wyatt.
 9. Dadeville—J. M. McIntosh, R. J. Jinks.
 10. Eagle Creek—J. L. Shepherd.
 11. Farmville—R. N. Bottsford.
 12. Fellowship—W. H. Shepherd, C. C. Smith, C. A. Jennings.
 13. Five Points—A. J. Pepper, J. M. Jackson.
 14. High Pine—G. W. Hodges, W. Z. East.
 15. Hickory Flat—No delegates or letter.
 16. Lystra—J. L. Strickland, J. D. Smith.
 17. Liberty—F. M. Handley.
 18. LaFayette—N. D. Denson, T. H. Grimmett, L. Duke, J. D. Norman, C. S. Ellis.
 19. Mary—W. C. Dormon
 20. Lebanon—Z. F. East, W. Y. Harrison, W. A. Purcell.
 21. Mt. Zion—C. W. Haralson.
 22. Milltown—J. E. Smith, J. M. Rotton, J. B. Finney, W. M. Woodall, W. M. David.
 23. New Hope—M. V. Maley, J. P. Barrow, W. W. Cofield, J. F. Cumbee, T. G. Crowder.
 24. Providence—J. L. Barrow, J. B. Askew, J. Meadows.
 25. Pleasant Ridge—W. C. Roeck, B. F. Patterson.
 26. Roanoke—F. P. Nichols, W. A. Burden, G. W. Hill, Robert Brown, W. H. Stewart.
 27. Rock Spring, Chambers—G. W. Newman, W. W. Still, C. Finney, W. Johnson, W. F. Abernathy.
 28. Rock Spring, Tallapoosa—G. V. McCormack.
 29. Rock Mills—James Walker, J. W. Huckaby.
 30. Shiloh—G. L. Clifton, J. D. Leverett.
 31. Sandy Creek—J. T. Fargarson, J. F. Reynolds, D. D. Lunceford, W. G. Brazzil.
 32. Tallapoosa—R. E. Craddock, Charles Henderson.
 33. Waverly—W. E. Shealey, Homer Bruce.
- Number of churches, 33; delegates, 87.

4. The hour of 11 o'clock having come, business was suspended and the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Arnold S. Smith; text: "And unto him shall the gathering of the people be."—Gen. 49:10.

5. On motion, adjourned to 3 o'clock, p. m.

SEPTEMBER 20TH. 3 o'clock p. m.

6. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, and after hearing a portion of Scripture, the congregation sang a hymn and was led in prayer by Bro. Geo. W. Hill.

7. Business was resumed and the following officers were re-elected by acclamation: Rev. J. P. Shaffer, Moderator; Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, Secretary and Treasurer.

8. Under the call for petitionary letters, the Mary Baptist Church, Tallapoosa county, Ala., presented a letter asking admission into the body, and upon motion, said church was received. The Rock Mills Baptist church also presented a petition asking to be received into the Association so soon as she was dismissed from the Rock Mills Association. A motion to that effect was made and carried.

9. Correspondents were received from other Associations, to-wit:

* From the Tuskegee—Revs. G. A. Hornady, C. W. Buck, W. E. Lloyd, Bro. J. M. Love.

From the Central—Revs. R. A. J. Cumbee and W. R. Whatley..

From the Coosa River—Rev. W. Wilkes.

From the Carey—Rev. J. A. Dunn.

From the Western (Georgia)—Rev. B. M. Pack.

10. The following brethren were recognized in their official relations:

Rev. G. S. Anderson—Vice-President of the Home Mission Board for Alabama.

Rev. W. C. Bledsoe—Vice-President of the Foreign Mission Board for Alabama.

Rev. W. B. Crumpton—Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board.

Rev. T. H. Stout—Agent of the Board of Ministerial Education.

Rev. Z. D. Roby—Representing the Bible and Colportage Board.

Rev. J. P. Shaffer—Representing the Howard College.

Rev. C. W. Hare—Editor of the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

11. Ministers of other denominations were cordially invited to seats.

12. The following committees were announced by the Moderator to report at the present session:

On Finance—F. M. Handley, W. R. Dawson, Lum Duke.

On Nominations—F. P. Nichols, W. C. Roeck, H. Jarrell.

On Religious Services—Pastor and delegates of LaFayette church.

13. Adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow.

SEPTEMBER 21. 9 o'clock a. m.

14. A half hour was spent in devotional exercises.
15. The Reports on Foreign, Home, and State Missions, and on Bible and Colportage, were read in the order named, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The last report of the Foreign Mission Board, made to the Southern Baptist Convention at its session of 1892, opens with this sentence:

"Though the churches have not afforded all that was expected of them, the board sees no reason why this report may not be appropriately opened—as the sacred service of the house of God is often opened—with the doxology—

'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.'

"We may to-day join in this song of praise to God as we scan the foreign field and realize what great things he hath done. Ten years ago there were 500 woman's societies that gave the Board \$8,633.95, and no organizations for missionary contributions of the children. The Board had 25 foreign missionaries, 31 native assistants, and 34 stations; 20 churches, with 740 members; 126 baptisms, and contributions amounting to \$647.83. Our home contributions were \$49,041.02. The Foreign Mission Journal was a little four-page paper, with a circulation of 5,000. Now the woman's societies, organized under the Woman's Missionary Union, are numbered by the thousands, and their contributions are \$25,040.27; some 500 Sunbeam bands have been formed, who contribute \$3,713.82; our Board has 99 foreign missionaries, 77 native assistants, and some 200 stations, with 2,723 church members, who have reported 434 baptisms, and given \$3,956.09; our home contributions are \$114,325.80. The Journal is a 32-page magazine, with a circulation of some 12,000; puts on permanent record valuable missionary literature, and is an agent more effective than all others combined, save the faithful preaching of the whole gospel, which gives constant emphasis to obligation to promote the world's salvation. And with this ratio of progress, what may not be hoped for at the end of the Centennial year and at the close of this century?

"But our main ground of hope is hope for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This outpouring will lead to longing for the salvation of souls and of the world. It will arouse to the sacredness of the great commission, the doom of perishing millions, the honesty of consecrating the Lord's means to the Lord's service, the danger of the blood of the nations coming upon the head of those who withhold the blood shed for the redemption of the world. And if the Spirit's power be essential for the realization and the discharge of duty for the world's evangelization, will he not be given, in his awakening and consecrating presence, in answer to the prayer of God's people, 'in the name of Him' with whom the eternal Father covenanted: 'Ask of me and I shall give unto thee the heathen for an inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession?'"

The East Liberty Association contributed last year for Foreign Missions \$465.17—a small fraction over 14 cents per member—what the churches have sent up to the present session, your committee has not been informed; but we feel well assured that the amount will fall below that of last year.

Your committee ask the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That pastors and Sunday-school superintendents, churches and Sunday-schools, be and are hereby urgently requested to strive for largely increased contributions for missions, so that the centennial shall be by this Association properly recognized and appropriately celebrated.

W. C. BLEDSOE, Chairman.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of Home Missions is under the supervision of the Home Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., and the last report made to the Southern Baptist Convention gave the following summary of the work of the Board for the past year. The number of its missionaries have been as follows:

Alabama.....	4	Missouri.....	6
Arkansas.....	28	Oklahoma.....	6
Cuba.....	21	Tennessee.....	6
Florida.....	33	Texas.....	143
Georgia.....	17	Virginia.....	1
Indian Territory.....	16	Western North Carolina.....	17
Kentucky.....	5	West Arkansas and Indian Ter....	26
Louisiana.....	27	West Virginia.....	2
Maryland.....	2	Texas S. S. Convention.....	5
Total.....			365

The results of the work of the Board are as follows:

Missionaries.....	365
Weeks of labor.....	10,640
Churches and stations.....	1,332
Sermons and addresses.....	46,866
Prayer meetings.....	14,042
Baptisms.....	5,271
Received by letter.....	5,973
Total additions.....	11,247
Sunday-schools organized.....	342
Teachers and pupils.....	17,785
Religious visits.....	54,336
Churches constituted.....	179
Houses of worship built.....	180
Bibles and Testaments.....	4,304
Pages of tracts distributed.....	919,472

Receipts of the Board from May 1, 1891, to May 1, 1892, were \$84,871.19.

From the above figures it seems that the Board has a stronger hold on the Baptists of the South than it has ever had in the history of its existence. The Board wishes to raise \$125,000 during this, our Centennial year of missions, for chapel building, and the committee on apportionment ask Alabama for \$7,500, also \$7,500 for the Foreign Board.

C. J. BURDEN, Chairman.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

1. At the last meeting of this Association, we had thirty-one churches and 3,290 members, and our contributions to State Missions for the year amounted to \$552.66, about 17 cents per member. From all your committee has learned, we reckon that but little more than half as much has been contributed by this Association this year to State Missions as was last year. The State Board asks this Association to raise during the incoming associational year for missions \$1,600. This means for State, Home, and Foreign Missions, all told.

2. From the report of our State Mission Board to the last Baptist State Convention, we learn that \$8,255.77 had been contributed by the Baptists of the State for State Mission work. Missionaries employed had labored 4,056 days. They had preached 2,138 sermons, delivered 740 addresses, traveled 27,958 miles, made 9,121 visits, and baptized 541 persons. The days of service done show a full year's work for thirteen men. Divide the service rendered equally among the thirteen missionaries, and we find that one preached 164 sermons, delivered 57 addresses, traveled 2,150 miles, made 702 visits and baptized about 40 persons. These missionaries were paid \$5,001.45, which gave to each an average of \$384.73.

3. A careful study of the above statements will prove instructive and very suggestive. (1.) Only about \$5,000 spent for mission work in the entire State in a whole year. (2.) The character of the mission work done,

judged by what it cost, must have been exceedingly cheap work. (3.) Seventy-one Associations, covering 54,722 square miles, and comprising over 1,000,000 souls, of whom more than 100,000 are Baptists, and only thirteen missionaries!

Whatever we may wish and hope to do for the regions beyond will be done first and foremost, and only as we do our own home work efficiently.

Z. D. ROBY, Chairman.

REPORT ON BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE.

The Bible and Colportage Board of the Alabama Baptist State Convention is composed of brethren W. E. Hudmon, President; J. B. Collier, Secretary and Storekeeper; J. C. Condon, W. B. Crumpton, W. E. Lloyd, W. L. Hood, W. C. Bledsoe, G. A. Hornady, J. P. Shaffer, G. S. Anderson, J. E. Herring and Z. D. Roby. Of this number four are members of East Liberty Association, and therefore we, more than any other Association, are bound to stand by, support and co-operate with the Bible and Colportage Board. But more than all, because this board is fostering the interests of the Master by spreading broadcast good religious literature and wholesome books.

The State Convention asked of the Baptists of Alabama, at its last session, \$4,000 for this board. Of this amount only about \$700.00 have been received. The churches should order all their Sunday-school literature through the board, because 20 per cent. of all orders for literature goes into the treasury of the board for the work on the field.

The board must not only keep Bibles, books, tracts, etc., but must employ men and put them in the field and persuade the people to buy and read. To this end twelve men have been employed, but for lack of funds they can only be kept at work for about three months in the year; equal to four men kept on the field for twelve months.

There are seventy one Associations in Alabama, and not less than fifty men for all their time are actually necessary to carry on this great work.

Again, the board is cut off from communication with the Baptists of Alabama for want of a medium of communication. The board must be in touch with the Baptists of the State; must acquaint them with the nature of the work and the needs of the work and field. Therefore, in view of these facts, your committee suggest the following resolutions for your adoption:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association—

1. That it is a pressing necessity that the Alabama Baptist State Convention own and control its own paper or State organ.

2. That the plans formulated by the Colportage Board in their recent circular letter to the Baptists of Alabama, impress us as wise and practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HAMNER, Chairman.

16. On motion to adopt the reports, discussion was entered into, and Rev. W. B. Crumpton, Corresponding Secretary of the State Board, took the platform and gave an instructive map lecture on the Foreign Mission work. Discussion was continued by Bro. Rev. G. S. Anderson.

17. Adjourned to 2:30 o'clock p. m.

SEPTEMBER 21ST. 2:30 o'clock p. m.

18. Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. Geo. L. Bell.

19. The discussion of the reports was continued, occupying all of the afternoon session, and participated in by W. Wilkes, W. E. Lloyd, C. W. Hare. The greater part of the afternoon's discussion was under the consideration of the report on Bible and Col-

portage work, and had special reference to the recommendations concluding the report.

20. Pending the discussion the hour of adjournment was reached and the body adjourned to 7:30 p. m.

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 7:30 o'clock p. m.

21. This evening's session was, by special order, given to Centennial matters, and Rev. G. A. Hornady preached a sermon for the encouragement of the Centennial movement.

22. After the sermon, on motion the regular order was taken up and the discussion of the Bible and Colportage report was continued.

23. The report on Bible and Colportage, after amendment, was adopted.

24. The report on Foreign Missions was adopted.

25. The report on Home Missions was adopted.

26. The report on State Missions was adopted.

27. No member of the Committee on Sunday-schools being present, the Moderator, on motion, appointed the following brethren to prepare a report on that subject: N. D. Denson, J. P. Barrow, I. T. Morgan.

28. Adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow.

SEPTEMBER 22ND. 9 o'clock a. m.

29. After being called to order, the Association was led in prayer by Rev. A. S. Smith.

30. The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

Rev. J. L. Gregory to preach the introductory sermon at the next session; Rev. G. L. Bell, alternate. The following to be the Executive Committee for the ensuing Associational year: Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, chairman; Rev. C. J. Burden, W. L. Hood, N. D. Denson, J. D. Norman, J. T. Jones, Lum Duke.

The report was adopted.

30. Rev. W. C. Bledsoe was elected to represent the Association at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in Nashville, Tenn., May 12th, 1893.

31. The following were elected delegates to the Alabama Baptist State Convention to meet at Anniston, Ala., on Tuesday, November 22nd, 1892: Jno. P. Shaffer, W. C. Bledsoe, Z. D. Roby, C. J. Burden, A. S. Smith, J. P. Hunter, G. L. Bell, J. L. Gregory, J. T. Jones, J. W. Cooper.

32. Pledges were taken for next year's work. (See close of minutes.)

33. The report on Education was read as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The subject of denominational education has been presented in so many ways, and always with the same end in view, that there remains nothing new to be said on the subject. The latest and best definition of education is said to be a process by which knowledge is developed in or drawn out of a pupil. Denominational education must mean the means by which distinctive denominational principles are embedded and developed in the mind and heart, and a process by which this knowledge is drawn out of those denominationally taught. If this is true, we fear the masses of our people know very little about the cardinal principles of denominational education.

The Baptists in Alabama have principally two schools for the education of their children. The Judson for the education of our girls, and the Howard for the education of our boys. The former, under the supervision of Dr. Averett and his corps of teachers is doing faithful, thorough and complete work, in all of the departments, and appeals to us strongly to aid the college with our patronage, and money to secure the erection of all needed buildings, and aid in payment of any obligations due for the erection of buildings. Not only this; but the time is upon us when our colleges must be endowed if their places among the leading institutions are maintained. Last year 157 girls were matriculated at the Judson; and the present session has opened up with great promise.

The main building of Howard College, together with six dormitories have been erected by the denomination at East Lake. Dr. Riley and his able faculty are doing the most effective work. 196 boys entered Howard College last year, and notwithstanding the cry of "hard times," the present indications are, that this year the attendance will be still better. The friends of the college say it is the home of our boys, and it must be made attractive and complete in its equipments, and also handsomely endowed if it successfully competes with other institutions. The committee believe that only in exceptional cases will boys be sent to Howard, or any other Baptist College for the benefits derived from wholesome moral influences. In this business age most parents will say: My boy or girl will attend the college where a dollar will accomplish most from a literary standpoint. The standard of education must be high, and the cost no more than other colleges of like grade, if our college commands our sympathy and support. This association in the last four years has seen proper to invest in Howard College and the Judson Institute nearly \$5,000 in money. And the people are asking, in many instances, why this liberal outlay of money? What do you mean by it? What results can you show? And to reply, Denominational pride prompts me to aid in erecting handsome buildings, and endowing the institutions richly, cannot satisfy. Denominational schools must mean something. What do they mean?

Forty-two young men preparing for the ministry have been aided by the denomination in attending Howard College, the Seminary at Louisville and High Schools, during the past year. Baptists must educate as Baptists. Uneducated ministers can no longer, if they ever could, meet the demands of the case. We rejoice in the good that the pioneers and frontier preachers, many of whom were illiterate, accomplished; but the frontier country is occupied, and only "occupied" preachers can stay on the field. The benign influence of the Seminary is felt all over this country. It commends itself. Its men are a power in the land. This is as it should be. As the morning sunbeam kisses the dew from the budding flowers, so an educated ministry if properly directed will brush away the clouds of denominational ignorance that hover over our people.

As citizens we are under great responsibility as to education. Comparatively few boys go to college. Our common schools must be built up, and good schools must be established in every community. The country teacher, often poorly paid, and less appreciated, must be looked after. We don't mean they must be Baptists in every case, but they will and must teach Baptist boys and girls. These teachers must be better prepared for their work and better paid. Our children must love and respect them. It will be a sad day for the body politic when the common schools of the country

cease to give boys and girls the fundamental principles of an education, and are not maintained in every community. The Baptists ought to, and must, foster an unwritten law to stand by and build up public schools.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. WALKER,
W. L. HOOD,
Committee.

34. Pending the discussion of this report, a collection was taken for ministerial education, amounting to \$17.69.

35. The report was adopted.

36. The report on Temperance was read, and after discussion was adopted, to-wit:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The consideration of temperance, or rather whisky drinking, is a sad one. So far as my information goes, the drink bill of the world is continually increasing.

The drink bill of the United States is increasing more rapidly than the population. In spite of this sad fact, it is encouraging to know that drinking is less popular in the church than in other years. While it affords your committee pleasure to state that we are confident that the church occupies much higher ground on the whisky question now than in other years, still it pains us to know that many Christian men yet drink, and claim it as a privilege of their manhood and freedom.

It is our opinion that our churches of the Liberty are much above the churches of some other sections of the country, and yet we are sorry that some of our churches are more or less loose in their views of the temperance question.

It is our opinion that whisky is the worst enemy to Christian progress within the bounds of our Association, and especially is this true in some sections. The past year has been one of much temptation to the people to drink. Campaign whisky has been within easy reach, and many forms of excitement have induced men to drink who have ordinarily been comparatively free from the pernicious habit.

Our churches are found in Randolph, Chambers, Lee and Tallapoosa. Randolph is a prohibition county, Chambers is virtually so, and also Lee. Tallapoosa is the saloon company of our territory. The Christian men of the county have been working and hoping for years to see the saloons closed. At Dadeville the saloons at the time of getting their last license were hard pressed to procure the required number of signers, and could not procure enough white signers, and so they had to appeal to the colored men to help them, and they did it, and so the license were procured and they continued business. The saloon men of LaFayette were reduced to the same condition, but would not appeal to the negroes, and so the business was closed. Camp Hill is still a saloon town and so is Alexander. The blind tiger is at work at Roanoke and Rock Mills in Randolph county, and at LaFayette in Chambers county, and the whisky men claim that they are able to reopen the saloons at LaFayette. Blind tiger work is also done in Opelika in Lee county. Your committee are at a loss to determine whether we have gained or lost ground during the last year. We are sure that during the past decade that we have gained ground at every point of view.

Prohibition is right, and dram-drinking and drunkenness is wrong, and we should continue to pray and work for the overthrow of the saloons. We shall win at length. The very men who vend the whisky know it is wrong, the men who drink it know it is wrong. If all Christian men and women would speak against whisky and non-fellowship it socially and otherwise, many saloons would be closed that now flourish. Our hope is that Christian men and Christian women will take a Christian position on the whisky question, and then we shall see a great reformation.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. L. BELL, Chairman.

37. Report on Sunday-schools was read, and after discussion was adopted, to-wit:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

To the Officers and Members of the East Liberty Association:

BRETHREN—We, the committee appointed by you last night to write a report on Sunday-schools, submit the following:

We have had no access to the reports of the various churches and therefore can give you no tabulated statement as to progress in the work; but from the reports as we remember them, the Sunday school work is strengthening and growing year by year, and our people are taking more interest in the upbuilding of this one of the church's instrumentalities for evangelizing the world.

We are impressed with the importance of the Sunday-school and believe that next to the immediate work of the church the Sunday-school should receive the earnest support of the Baptist people. We, however, feel and believe that there is one thing necessary above all others in bringing the Sunday-school to a perfect standard of excellence, and this, dear brethren, is to get every member of the churches interested in the work; to this end we recommend that the pastors of the churches impress upon the members the great importance of their presence in the Sunday-school to aid and encourage the work, and a sermon on this great question in each church would not be amiss, but of vast importance.

Respectfully submitted,

N. D. DENSON,
I. T. MORGAN,
J. P. BARROW.

38. The 5th Sunday meetings were located as follows:

1. On 5th Sunday in October, 1892, at Eagle Creek.
2. On 5th Sunday in January, 1893, at Bethel, Lee.
3. On 5th Sunday in April, 1893, at Antioch.
4. On 5th Sunday in July, 1893, at Milltown.

[NOTE.—These meetings begin on Friday before the 5th Sunday, and delegates will be received and welcomed from any church in the association. The pastors at the churches where the meetings are to be held are expected to arrange and publish a programme.]

39. Adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m. Prayer by Elder Darcey, of the Methodist church.

SEPTEMBER 22. 2 o'clock p. m.

40. Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. J. R. Stodghill.

41. Report on State of Religion in the Churches was read, and after discussion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

In making this report it is the pleasure of your committee on the State of Religion to state there has been no recess in active work and progress in this association during the past year. Some thought before the meeting of this session of our body that there would be a great falling off in our contributions for missions. Instead of this being true, our contributions are nearly as good as the contributions sent up last year, which amounted to, for all purposes, \$2,083.60.

This year has been somewhat unfavorable for all church collections. The people have been, and are now, financially oppressed, but instead of falling short of the amount contributed under more favorable conditions and with more money to give, they have sent up nearly the full amount of their pledges. Some of the churches have sent up more than the amount of their pledges.

We think this shows the stability and permanency of the work done heretofore. We believe and are confident that our Master's cause has a stronger and deeper hold upon the minds and hearts of our people than it has ever had before. To say the least of it, they have a clearer conception of their work and of their duties and obligations to God.

Now, we do not mean to say, nor even to intimate, that the East Liberty Association has done all it could have done, or given all the money it was able to give, but simply mean that there has been no abatement in any of our work.

If the development and progress in our churches have not been as good as it might have been, let us not be discouraged, but in view of the great magnitude and the overwhelming importance of our work, let's renew and redouble our energy and endeavor to make them better in the future. This will require enlarged consecration upon the part of God's people, both of personal service and personal means. In no age has God so richly endowed His people with all the means, material, moral and religious with which to do the work He has committed into their hands.

In view of this great work let us have some patience as well as enthusiasm; remembering that the great command of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," though given eighteen centuries ago, has not, through the lapse of ages, lost any of its original force or any of its divine authority. The gospel is still the power of God, the word of the Master, the moral lever, and the only one, by which a lost and perishing world can be lifted into the kingdom of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. HUNTER, Ch'n.

42. The Report on Religious Literature was read, and after discussion adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

By religious literature we mean religious newspapers, reviews and religious periodicals generally. Also Sunday school literature, religious books and all literature from Christian authors, having for its object the advancement of Christian civilization.

Christian civilization is the highest form of civilization, and religious literature is the highest type of literature. The intensity of our civilization will depend upon the intensity of our Christianity, and the purity of our religious literature will depend upon the purity of our religion.

The press is a great power, and its output is a matter of very great importance to the Christian church. The religious press is specially important to us. We should make the best possible use of it. Christians who fail to realize the importance of guarding and sustaining our religious press, virtually fail to realize the importance of religious literature; and thereby, so far as they are concerned, put an end to religious and church literature.

A nation without literature, if not already ignorant and barbarous, will soon become so. A church without literature must decay. A section of country without a literature of its own, and depending upon some other section of country to produce literature for it,—no matter for what reason it pursues such a course—will gradually lose its identity and be moulded anew by the literature which it uses. A church without a literature of its own and depending upon some other religious organization to produce its literature, will gradually lose its identity and will become what the reigning religious literature makes it.

We may sneer at such assertions, but as long as the law of cause and effect remain intact, such assertions will be entitled to our respect.

If the world will discontinue its literature and allow the church to produce all the literature, you will have quite a *churchly world*, but if the church shall decide to save the expense of having religious literature, and looks to the world for its literature, then we shall have a very *worldly church*.

If England should depend upon America for her literature, we should in the process of time, have very *American English*. If America should decide that it is cheaper to accept English literature and abandon her own, in the ages to come our Americans would be very English.

If the North should decide to give her attention entirely to manufacturing and merchandising, and should look to the South for her literature, at length we would have a very *Southerly North*; and if the South shall decide that it is naughty for her to have a literature of her own in either church or State, and that she will dismiss her own literature and depend entirely upon the North, then finally we will have quite a *Northerly South*.

But we must not extend this paper too much. The points which we wish to make we hope are already fully apprehended.

Therefore we hope that our church people will appreciate the importance of our church papers and our religious literature in general, and that we will strongly patronize the religious press, with our prayer, our pen and our money, that it may become the mighty factor in Christian civilization that it should be.

To Alabamians, first of all, we would call your attention to our State paper, "The Alabama Baptist." It should be a great power in Alabama. It is quite a power in Alabama. It should have 20 000 subscribers within Alabama. If it is not all that we would have it to be, it is our business to make it such. We also call your attention to our "State Mission Quarterly." After these to the "Foreign Mission Journal" and the "Home Field."

Next we call the attention of our churches to the Sunday-school Helper, published by the Sunday-school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Beyond these it would be too tedious to call your attention to the many valuable religious periodicals, books and leaflets, or to the places or organizations which produce them.

We will mention only one, the American Baptist Publication Society; it is the greatest of all publishing houses, and every American Baptist should be proud of it.

We close this paper by insisting upon a more liberal use and widespread of the whole range of religious literature; and begging that we thoughtfully and sternly take into account the final effect which the literature that we use will have on our general character.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. GREGORY; Ch'n.

43. On motion the Moderator was permitted to forward to the Secretary after adjournment the Standing Committees for next session.

44. On motion the Secretary was ordered to have our Articles of Faith printed in the minutes.

45. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved 1, That the thanks of this body are hereby tendered the citizens of LaFayette and vicinity for their generous hospitality, and to the Presbyterian and Methodist churches for the tender of their houses of worship.

Resolved 2, That any brother in good standing may represent this association at the session of any sister association at which he may be present.

Resolved 3, That the Secretary be instructed to have 1,000 copies of the minutes printed and receive for his services \$25 00

Resolved 4, That the churches be requested to take collections during the next year for church building, and that they direct two-thirds of said collections to Milltown church, and balance to churches in our bounds struggling to erect houses of worship.

46. The Finance Committee made report, which was adopted. (See tabulated statement.)

47. On motion, it was resolved that the time of meeting of the association be changed to Tuesday, after First Sunday in October, 1893, and that Roanoke, Randolph county, be the place of the next meeting.

48. The association then, on motion, adjourned, to meet with the Roanoke church on Tuesday after the 1st Sunday in October, 1893.

49. Prayer by the Moderator.

J. P. SHAFFER, MODERATOR.

W. C. BLEDSOE, SEC'Y & TREAS.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The churches have sent up to this session in cash and vouchers (see Financial Exhibit) \$2,473 93, as follows:

For Home Missions.....	\$ 278 86
Foreign Missions.....	420 88
State Missions.....	332 64
Bible and Colportage.....	309 71
Ministerial Education.....	90 04
Aged and Infirm Ministers.....	16 21
Howard College.....	874 25
Judson Institute.....	25 00
Centennial Fard.....	73 00
Minutes.....	63 66—\$2,484 25
Collection for Ministerial Education.....	17 69

Grand total.....\$2,501 94

We have examined the Treasurer's Report and vouchers for last year and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. DAWSON, Ch'n.,
F. M. HANDLEY,
LUM DUKE,

Committee.

PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR.

(Churches omitted from this table made no pledges.)

Antioch.....	\$ 50 00	Beulah.....	\$ 40 00
Bethlehem.....	60 00	Bethel (Lee).....	20 00
Bethel (Chambers).....	25 00	Cusseta.....	150 00
County Line.....	80 00	Camp Hill.....	75 00
Dadeville.....	150 00	Farmville.....	20 00
Fellowship.....	15 00	Five Points.....	20 00
High Pine.....	10 00	Liberty.....	20 00
LaFayette.....	200 00	Lebanon.....	20 00
Milltown.....	40 00	New Hope.....	50 00
Providence.....	50 00	Pleasant Ridge.....	25 00
Roanoke.....	150 00	Rock Spring (C).....	50 00
Rock Spring (T).....	12 00	Rock Mills.....	35 00
Sandy Creek.....	30 00	Tallapoosa.....	25 00
		Waverly.....	25 00

Total.....\$1,447 00

NOTES FROM THE LETTERS.

The following churches report prayer meetings: Bethel, Lee; Camp Hill, Dadeville, Fellowship, LaFayette, Mary, Pleasant Ridge, Roanoke, Rock Spring, Tallapoosa, Rock Mills, Sandy Creek (occasionally); Tallapoosa, Waverly. The following churches report Ladies' Aid Societies: Cusseta, LaFayette, New Hope, Roanoke. Nearly every church reports: "Religious condition of church and community good." LaFayette church, beginning October 1st, 1892, will have preaching every Sabbath. For the new association year Rev. A. S. Smith will preach at Roanoke, Rock Spring and Fredonia. So far as is known to the Secretary, there are no other pastoral changes.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Burden, C. J.	LaFayette, Ala.
Bledsoe, W. C.	LaFayette, "
Brannon, A. S.	Camp Hill, "
Bell, G. L.	Jackson's Gap, "
Bedell, W. H.	Waverly, "
Cumbee, John	Strand, "
Fargarson, T. B.	Dadeville, "
Gregory, J. L.	Easton, "
Hunter, J. P.	LaFayette, "
McCarley, James A.	LaFayette, "
Moon, D. S.	Milltown, "
Newman, G. S.	LaFayette, "
Roby, Z. D.	Opelika, "
Shaffer, John P.	Dadeville, "
Smith, A. S.	Roanoke, "
Stodghill, J. R.	Five Points, "

LICENSED MINISTERS.

Cofield, W. P.	Fredonia, Ala.
Kent, F.	Louina, "
Stroud, L. B.	Chappel Hill, "

SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

W. E. Shealey	Waverly, Ala.
J. W. Dabbs.	Judson, "
James Walker	Rock Mills, "
J. R. Prickett	Jackson's Gap, "
G. W. Newman	LaFayette, "
F. P. Nichols.	Roanoke, "
W. C. Roeck	Dadeville, "
I. T. Morgan	West Point, Ga.
B. F. Anderson	Fredonia, Ala.
R. L. Gaines	Milltown, "
E. T. Slaughter	Mary, "
C. C. East	Easton, "
J. L. Strickland	Five Points, "
C. S. Ellis	LaFayette, "
N. Jennings	Buttston, "
J. M. Jackson	Five Points, "
R. N. Bottsford	Gold Hill, "
Y. W. Freeman	Tohopeka, "
J. H. Johnson	Dadeville, "
T. J. Gann	Camp Hill, "
W. C. Crouch	Dudleyville, "
G. W. Shealey	Cusseta, "
F. W. Shank	West Point, Ga.
G. W. Hunt	Benlah, Ala.
J. C. Linceford	LaFayette, "

NOTE.—Several churches did not give the name of the Superintendent of the Sunday-school.—Secretary.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1893.

On State Missions—Rev. G. L. Bell, Chairman; W. B. Bledsoe, G. H. Burkes, G. W. Hunt, F. W. Shank.

On Home Missions—Rev. J. P. Hunter, Chairman; H. Graves, L. L. TeBow, J. M. McIntosh, J. L. Shepherd.

On Foreign Missions—Rev. Z. D. Roby, Chairman; R. N. Bottsford, C. C. Smith, J. M. Jackson, G. W. Hodges.

On Bible and Colportage—Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, Chairman; F. M. Handley, J. E. Smith, M. V. Maley, F. P. Nichols.

On Education—Hon. W. L. Hood, Chairman; B. H. Walker, Lum Duke, James Walker, Homer Bruce.

On Sunday-Schools—Rev. C. J. Burden, Chairman; G. W. Shealey, W. C. Reck, G. W. Newman, G. V. McCormack.

On Temperance—Rev. A. S. Brannon, Chairman; J. T. Fargarson, J. L. Strickland, J. L. Yarbrough, C. W. Haralson.

On State of Religion in the Churches—Rev. J. L. Gregory, Chairman; G. W. Hill, F. P. Bradfield, W. R. Dawson, Jason Meadows, W. C. Dorman, W. W. Cofield, Charles Henderson, J. D. Norman.

On Religious Literature—Rev. A. S. Smith, Chairman; R. J. Jinks, T. J. Dean, W. Johnson, J. W. Huckaby.

On Deceased Ministers—Rev. J. R. Stodghill, Chairman; Z. F. East, J. D. Leverett, J. D. Smith, R. E. Craddock.

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL MISSION WORK.

The Sunday-schools contributed to missions as follows:

Beulah.....	\$ 5 00
Bethel, Lee.....	1 15
Cusseta.....	31 98
Center.....	11 92
County Line.....	17 50
Camp Hill.....	30 00
Dadeville (Sunbeams \$5.00).....	54 46
Five Points.....	5 55
LaFayette (\$81.42 orphanage).....	134 11
Lebanon.....	1 03
Milktown (Primary class \$1.66).....	6 66
New Hope.....	15 00
Pleasant Ridge.....	8 60
Roanoke.....	52 00
Roanoke (Sunbeams).....	8 34
Rock Mills.....	2 10
Tallapoosa.....	4 00
Waverly.....	2 00

Total.. \$391 40

STANDING COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT SESSION OF 1895.

- On Foreign Missions—Rev. A. S. Smith, Chairman; G. W. Hillf G. W. Newman, M. V. Maley.
- On Home Missions—Rev. C. J. Burden, Chairman; J. S. Wooddy, G. W. Hunt, A. C. Bennett.
- On State Missions—Rev. R. A. J. Cumbe, Chairman; B. M. Ware, T. N. Jones, J. B. Barrow.
- On Associational, Bible and Colportage—Rev. J. P. Hunter, Chairman; J. W. Foster, L. L. Tebow, J. C. Jester.
- On Sunday-schools—Rev. J. L. Gregory, Chairman; W. C. McIntosh, W. H. Payne, Y. W. Freeman.
- On Education—Joseph H. Johnson, Chairman; J. D. Abernathy, R. Neighbors, B. F. Anderson.
- On Temperance—W. C. Roeck, Chairman; J. H. Bradshaw, J. M. Jackson, W. P. East.
- On Religious Literature—Rev. J. R. Stodghill, Chairman; L. D. Askew, T. G. Gardner, A. F. Duffy.
- On Orphans' Home—Rev. A. S. Brannan, Chairman; W. R. Rotton, W. G. Phillips, L. Cunningham.
- On State of Religion—Rev. Geo. L. Bell, Chairman; C. Henderson, R. I. Howell, J. M. Rotton.
- On Deceased Ministers—Rev. T. B. Fargarson, Chairman; W. E. Shealey, T. D. Luncford, John P. Seroyer.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The churches have sent up in cash \$782.15, and in vouchers \$887.18; total \$1,669.31, as follows:

For State Board.....	\$ 456 94
Home Missions S. B. C.....	192 97
Foreign ".....	329 14
Weak churches.....	122 00
Ministerial Education.....	219 07
Aged and Infirm Ministers, Widows, etc.....	85 99
Howard College.....	19 50
American Baptist Publication Society.....	3 35
Orphans' Home.....	176 21
Minutes.....	64 14

Total.....\$1,669 31

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. DAWSON, Chairman.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF EAST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, 1894.

CHURCHES.

	State Board of Missions and Colportage.	Aid to Weak Churches.	Home Missions, Board of S. B. C.	Foreign Missions, Board of S. B. C.	Ministerial Education.	Aged and Infirm Min- isters, Widows and Orphans.	Howard College.	American Baptist Publication Society.	Orphan's Home.	Minutes.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Total.
1. Antioch.....	\$ 10 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 4 24	2 50	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 17 20	\$ 1 50	22 20	25 74	\$ 25 74	\$ 25 74
2. Beulah.....	10 30	2 50	2 50	17 00	11 00	13 49	42 03	2 50	2 50	42 03	25 47	25 47	67 50
3. Bethlehem.....	21 00	2 50	3 51	6 50	11 00	13 49	42 03	2 50	2 50	42 03	13 25	13 25	33 25
4. Bethel (C).....	5 00	2 00		6 50					1 00	1 50	4 00	13 00	17 00
5. Bethel (L).....			1 50	5 00	12 50	3 90			2 63	139 60	15 15	15 15	154 75
6. Cusseta.....	36 00	5 00	52 92	30 60	10 58	5 00			7 00	6 26	28 74	40 00	95 00
7. Center.....	8 76	10 00	5 00	30 60	10 58	5 00	8 50	3 35	11 86	60 03	42 00	100 03	100 03
8. County Line.....	22 00	10 00	5 00	8 60	35 00	10 00			12 50	3 00	74 46	22 00	106 46
9. Camp Hill.....	23 00	5 00		27 00	62 50	10 00				3 00	125 95	57 05	183 00
10. Dadeville.....	50 50	10 00	7 50	2 00	2 00	2 50				90	16 40	16 40	16 40
11. Eagle Creek.....	11 00			2 67					2 00	19 42	6 67	26 09	26 09
12. Farmville.....	4 42	15 00		2 75		2 00			7 80	1 00	11 57	9 43	21 00
13. Five Points.....	8 43	5 00	1 00			1 50				1 80	1 80	11 50	11 50
14. Fellowship (T).....	3 50									1 80		1 80	1 80
15. Fellowship (R).....										1 80		1 80	1 80
16. High Pine.....	2 00	1 00	50	50						1 50	97 14	188 35	235 49
17. Lafayette.....	52 40	10 00	50 00	18 67	10 00	1 00			81 42	3 00	10 00	17 00	27 00
18. Langdale.....	2 50	10 00	5 00	7 50						2 00	10 00	20 65	20 65
19. Lebanon.....	11 50		3 50	4 15						2 00		12 00	12 00
20. Liberty.....	3 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00						4 65	4 65
21. Mary.....	3 90									75		29 26	44 66
22. Milltown.....		5 00	9 05	18 61	4 00	5 00				3 00	15 40	1 50	1 50
23. Mount Zion.....										1 50		1 50	1 50
24. New Hope.....	34 25		10 83	13 06	1 95				1 43	2 00	22 75	40 77	63 52
25. Providence.....	10 85	5 00	3 00	5 00	3 80	2 00				1 50	5 85	25 30	31 15
26. Pleasant Ridge.....	14 00		2 00	2 00		1 00				1 00	5 00	16 00	21 00
27. Roanoke.....	51 87	25 00	15 00	58 33	39 40		11 00		24 00	4 00	190 16	228 44	228 60
28. Rock Spring (C).....	20 15			10 25	16 50	2 00			12 00	3 50	24 25	40 15	64 40
29. Rock Spring (T).....	2 00		2 40	1 27						1 00		6 67	6 67
30. Rock Mills.....			4 00	7 00	1 95	2 00				1 25		16 20	16 20
31. Sandy Creek.....	10 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	3 00	2 00				1 80	3 00	23 80	26 80
32. Shiloh.....	2 00	1 00	2 50	3 00		2 00				1 00		11 00	11 00
33. Tallapoosa.....	10 00			8 00		2 50				1 50		17 00	17 00
34. Waverly.....	10 11	2 00	5 00	4 00	2 89	1 00				1 00	8 11	17 89	26 00
Total.....	\$456 94	\$122 00	\$192 97	\$329 14	\$219 07	\$85 99	\$19 50	\$3 85	\$176 21	\$64 14	\$887 18	\$782 13	\$1569 31

*LaFayette church also gave \$20.00 to yellow fever sufferers at Brunswick.

STATISTICS OF EAST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, 1894.

PASTOR.	CLERK.	CLERK'S Post Office.	S. S. SUPTEN'DTS Post Office.	S. S. OFFIC'RS & Teach'rs	CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	Inere's				Decre's				Present Membership.	Preaching Sabbaths.	Prayer Meeting?	Revival?
							Baptism.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.							
A. S. Brannan.....	W. B. Bledsoe.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	6	40 Antioch.....	Chambers.	6	..	16	2	164	4	No.	Yes				
C. J. Burden.....	C. J. Smith.....	Beulah, Ala.....	Beulah, Ala.....	9	75 Beulah.....	Lee.....	6	3	4	2	125	5	"	"				
C. J. Burden.....	W. N. Jones.....	Welsh, Ala.....	Welsh, Ala.....	5	38 Bethel.....	Chambers	2	1	7	1	888	4	Yes	"				
J. E. Smith.....	T. W. Moore.....	Roxana, Ala.....	Roxana, Ala.....	5	38 Bethel.....	Lee.....	17	12	11	2	70	4	No.	"				
W. E. Lloyd.....	T. K. Middleton.....	Cusseta, Ala.....	Cusseta, Ala.....	7	40 Cusseta.....	Chambers.	1	6	3	4	86	2	"	"				
A. S. Brannan.....	T. C. Key.....	Dudleyville, Ala.....	Dudleyville, Ala.....	8	70 Center.....	"	6	11	3	4	65	2	Yes	"				
G. E. Brewer.....	J. H. Mayne.....	Camp Hill, Ala.....	Camp Hill, Ala.....	9	75 County-Line.....	"	17	2	10	4	225	3	Yes	"				
J. P. Shaffer.....	J. C. Talbot.....	Camp Hill, Ala.....	Camp Hill, Ala.....	8	117 Camp Hill.....	Tallapoosa	10	3	4	1	135	3	"	"				
J. P. Shaffer.....	W. C. McIntosh.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	9	83 Dadeville.....	"	10	5	4	2	120	2	4	"				
J. L. Bell.....	J. L. Shepherd.....	Tohopeka, Ala.....	Tohopeka, Ala.....	5	36 Eagle Creek.....	"	10	3	10	1	145	2	No.	"				
J. P. Hunter.....	J. L. Talbot.....	Auburn, Ala.....	Auburn, Ala.....	5	46 Farmville.....	Lee.....	...	2	3	..	118	3	"	"				
J. P. Hunter.....	J. L. Hilt.....	Five Points, Ala.....	Five Points, Ala.....	5	46 Five Points.....	Chambers.	...	4	3	..	49	4	"	"				
R. A. J. Cumbee.....	H. F. Smith.....	Hampton, Ala.....	Hampton, Ala.....	4	26 Fellowship.....	Tallapoosa	...	1	3	..	2	3	Yes	"				
C. E. Smith.....	J. A. Crouch.....	Rock Mills, Ala.....	Rock Mills, Ala.....	...	...	Randolph.	20	5	8	4	82	1	No.	Yes				
H. R. Moore.....	E. L. Pool.....	Happy Land, Ala.....	Happy Land, Ala.....	...	...	"	1	4	1	..	44	3	Yes	"				
W. C. Bledsoe.....	G. E. Burnett.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	17	125 LaFayette.....	Chambers.	15	22	8	2	203	Ev'ry	"	"				
G. L. Bell.....	F. A. Ward.....	Langdale, Ala.....	Langdale, Ala.....	11	175 Langdale.....	"	22	13	3	5	1	33	"	"				
G. L. Bell.....	Z. F. East.....	Easton, Ala.....	Easton, Ala.....	12	100 Lebanon.....	Tallapoosa	3	8	12	2	157	4	No.	"				
H. R. Moore.....	J. D. Fargerson.....	Louisa, Ala.....	Louisa, Ala.....	4	25 Mary.....	Randolph.	3	8	12	1	54	1	Yes	"				
W. H. Bedell.....	C. B. Pool.....	Mary, Ala.....	Mary, Ala.....	4	25 Mary.....	Tallapoosa	1	1	5	1	46	2	No.	"				
W. J. D. Upshaw.....	W. M. Daniel.....	Milltown, Ala.....	Milltown, Ala.....	6	30 Milltown.....	Chambers	23	10	4	1	149	2	Yes	Yes				
A. F. Dunn.....	A. F. Duffy.....	Denver, Ala.....	Denver, Ala.....	8	85 Mount Zion.....	"	10	...	5	1	90	3	"	"				
J. P. Shaffer.....	R. A. Gaines.....	Fredonia, Ala.....	Fredonia, Ala.....	...	...	"	3	2	1	155	1	2	"	"				
C. J. Burden.....	J. B. Askey.....	West Point, Ga.....	West Point, Ga.....	...	...	"	...	6	2	1	66	2	No.	"				
J. L. Gregory.....	W. C. Roock.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	28	28 Pleasant Ridge.....	Tallapoosa	3	4	1	1	216	1, 2, 4	Yes	Yes				
A. S. Smith.....	H. M. Meikle.....	Roanoke, Ala.....	Roanoke, Ala.....	13	143 Roanoke.....	Randolph.	1	15	1	9	3	233	"	"				
J. C. Motley.....	J. C. Webb.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	6	80 Rock Spring.....	Chambers	9	4	...	7	1	4	"	"				
W. R. Whitley.....	G. V. McCormack.....	Rock Mills, Ala.....	Rock Mills, Ala.....	7	70 Rock Spring.....	Tallapoosa	6	8	2	12	7	90	"	"				
A. S. Brannan.....	W. M. Taylor.....	J. D. Luncelford.....	J. D. Luncelford.....	7	30 Sandy Creek.....	Tallapoosa	1	2	5	1	107	1	No.	"				
J. A. Dunn.....	T. G. Sessions.....	Ireville, Ala.....	Ireville, Ala.....	5	35 Snioh.....	Chambers	1	2	5	1	61	4	Yes	"				
J. L. Gregory.....	C. Henderson.....	Jackson's Gap, Ala.....	Jackson's Gap, Ala.....	5	50 Tallapoosa.....	Tallapoosa	1	2	15	1	88	3	"	"				
J. P. Hunter.....	J. T. Hester.....	Oak Bowery, Ala.....	Oak Bowery, Ala.....	6	35 Waverly.....	Chambers.	1	2	...	1	40	1	No.	"				
Total.....				179	1684		228	181	13	206	55	97	3877					

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF EAST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1892.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	State Missions.	Bible and Colportage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged and Indirm Ministers.	Howard College and Judson Institute.	Centennial Fund	Minutes.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Total.
Antioch ..	\$ 7 10	\$ 14 37	\$ 10 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 3 50	\$ 3 00	\$ 18 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 7 10	\$ 26 37	\$ 33 47	
Beniah ..	10 00	10 00	9 00	10 00	8 14	3 00	18 00	2 50	19 00	26 00	45 00	
Bethlehem ..	17 46	52 88	20 80	8 64	8 14	3 00	18 00	3 00	56 93	51 99	108 92	
Bethel (C) ..	25 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 91	3 00	65 00	1 75	2 20	23 80	26 00	
Bethel (L) ..	5 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 91	3 00	65 00	2 50	163 93	73 90	237 92	
Cusseta ..	57 08	35 95	35 95	10 95	1 61	2 00	75 00	3 00	27 16	55 45	82 61	
County Line ..	20 00	28 00	25 00	5 00	1 61	2 00	75 00	3 00	121 55	30 00	152 45	
Camp Hill ..	4 50	16 65	36 54	10 85	5 90	3 00	233 75	20 60	320 46	97 90	418 36	
Dadeville ..	31 41	20 00	16 00	73 70	20 00	3 00	233 75	1 20	14 70	10 95	10 95	
Eagle Creek ..	2 00	2 00	1 00	4 75	1 78	3 00	10 00	2 50	7 75	17 50	22 20	
Farmville ..	4 16	5 46	8 30	1 78	1 78	3 00	10 00	1 00	7 75	8 28	16 08	
Five Points ..	3 58	5 78	9 22	3 45	3 45	3 00	10 00	2 00	7 75	14 60	14 60	
Fellowship ..	1 30	2 00	5 00	1 30	1 30	3 00	10 00	1 00	369 49	15 00	15 00	
Hickory Flat ..	3 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	250 00	30 00	369 49	59 33	59 33	
High Pine ..	9 68	106 33	38 25	90 00	20 00	3 00	250 00	30 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	
LaFayette ..	2 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	21 00	6 25	2 00	6 25	14 21	25 46	
Lystra ..	3 22	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	16 50	1 00	16 50	16 72	33 22	
Liberty ..	3 80	7 00	3 83	20 00	20 00	3 00	50 00	2 76	55 40	37 87	8 63	
Lebanon ..	7 00	10 40	3 00	20 00	20 00	3 00	50 00	1 00	55 40	37 87	98 27	
Mary ..	8 57	13 32	16 20	12 00	3 00	3 00	15 00	1 25	8 22	36 52	39 34	
Milltown ..	8 00	17 70	8 00	12 00	3 00	3 00	15 00	1 50	27 16	41 04	68 20	
Mt. Zion ..	2 00	6 20	12 50	5 18	2 16	2 00	150 00	1 50	9 18	22 36	31 54	
New Hope ..	20 00	34 10	15 60	32 40	10 00	5 00	150 00	5 00	198 10	74 00	272 10	
Providence ..	7 00	12 00	12 00	2 50	5 82	3 00	150 00	3 35	42 66	42 66	42 66	
Pleasant Ridge ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Ramoke ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Rock Spring (C) ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Rock Spring (T) ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Rock Mills ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Shiloh ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Sandy Creek ..	3 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	150 00	1 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Tallapoosa ..	8 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	2 50	3 00	150 00	1 00	23 06	27 00	27 00	
Waverly ..	5 00	8 69	13 81	10 00	2 50	3 00	150 00	1 00	23 06	34 69	57 75	
Total ..	\$ 278 86	\$ 420 88	\$ 332 64	\$ 309 71	\$ 990 04	\$ 16 21	\$ 899 25	\$ 73 00	\$ 63 66	\$ 1,448 74	\$ 1,085 51	\$ 2,484 25

NOTE. - Included under Home Mission and Centennial fund is \$35.00 specially directed to aid Milltown church in re-building Under Slat Missions is included \$5.60 for Orphan's Home; and \$12.25 for church extension. -SECT'Y.

STATISTICS OF EAST LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1882.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY.	Meeting Days.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	CLERK'S P. O.	Incr'd by Dec'r by						S. S. Officers and Teachers	Sunday-school People	
						Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.			Total Membership.
Antioch.....	Chambers.....	1	A. S. Brannon.....	E. B. Clarke.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	12	1	1	1	6	2	173	6	35
Beulah.....	Lee.....	3	C. J. Burden.....	W. M. Bass.....	Beulah, Ala.....	3	1	1	1	1	1	118	5	56
Bethlehem.....	Chambers.....	3	C. J. Burden.....	B. T. Smith.....	River View, Ala.....	10	4	7	7	3	3	116	4	20
Bethel.....	Chambers.....	3	J. P. Hunter.....	T. N. Jones.....	Welsh, Ala.....	2	3	2	2	3	3	79	3	7
Bethel.....	Lee.....	2	J. R. Stodghill.....	W. C. Rodgers.....	Waverly, Ala.....	9	1	5	5	4	1	73	4	26
Cusseta.....	Chambers.....	2	W. E. Lloyd.....	T. K. Middleton.....	Cusseta, Ala.....	6	1	4	4	1	4	80	4	40
Count Line.....	Chambers.....	2	R. A. J. Cumbee.....	H. C. W. Mayne.....	Blackman, Ala.....	10	9	3	12	4	4	205	5	71
Camp Hill.....	Tallapoosa.....	2	Z. D. Roby.....	J. H. Mayne.....	Camp Hill, Ala.....	10	9	3	12	4	4	205	5	71
Dadeville.....	Tallapoosa.....	2-4	J. P. Shaffer.....	W. C. McTatosh.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	17	6	1	7	1	1	135	3	35
Eagle Creek.....	Tallapoosa.....	2	G. L. Bell.....	J. L. Shepherd.....	Tohopeka, Ala.....	17	6	1	7	1	1	135	3	35
Farmville.....	Lee.....	3	A. S. Brannon.....	J. C. Talbot.....	Auburn, Ala.....	2	1	15	15	3	3	30	4	45
Five Points.....	Chambers.....	1	J. R. Stodghill.....	J. L. Hill.....	Five Points, Ala.....	2	1	1	16	1	1	95	4	25
Fellowship.....	Tallapoosa.....	3	R. A. J. Cumbee.....	W. A. J. J. ter.....	Buttsford, Ala.....	8	1	1	1	1	1	33	3	3
Hickory Flat.....	Chambers.....	3	No pastor.....	O. D. Woolly.....	Hickory Flat, Ala.....	5	5	2	1	1	1	33	3	3
High Pine.....	Chambers.....	3	H. E. Moore.....	E. L. Pool.....	Happy Land, Ala.....	6	16	2	12	2	4	191	17	125
LaFayette.....	Chambers.....	1-2-4	W. C. Bledsoe.....	G. E. Burnett.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	6	16	2	12	2	4	250	2	35
Liberty.....	Chambers.....	2	D. S. Duffly.....	R. H. Hammonds.....	Five Points, Ala.....	2	5	3	3	3	3	58	5	20
Liberty.....	Chambers.....	2	H. R. Moore.....	J. D. Orr.....	Louisa, Ala.....	9	3	3	14	2	2	26	3	20
Lebanon.....	Randolph.....	4	G. L. Bell.....	Z. F. East.....	Easton, Ala.....	9	3	3	14	2	2	26	3	20
Mary.....	Tallapoosa.....	4	W. H. Bedell.....	C. R. Pool.....	Mary, Ala.....	5	3	3	7	1	1	35	3	20
Milltown.....	Chambers.....	2	A. S. Brannon.....	W. M. Davidson.....	Milltown, Ala.....	5	3	3	7	1	1	35	3	20
Mt. Zion.....	Chambers.....	1	A. S. Dunn.....	C. W. Harrison.....	Denver, Ala.....	7	8	8	2	4	1	148	4	25
New Hope.....	Chambers.....	4	R. A. J. Cumbee.....	H. A. Wimbu.....	Denver, Ala.....	7	8	8	2	4	1	148	4	25
Providence.....	Chambers.....	2	J. J. Burden.....	J. B. Askew.....	West Point, Ga.....	7	8	8	2	4	1	162	5	106
Plensart Ridge.....	Chambers.....	2	J. W. Gregory.....	H. A. Wimbu.....	West Point, Ga.....	7	8	8	2	4	1	162	5	106
Romoke.....	Tallapoosa.....	3	G. W. Colquitt.....	W. C. Roek.....	Dadeville, Ala.....	6	1	1	4	1	1	75	4	2
Rock Spring.....	Randolph.....	3	W. C. Bledsoe.....	J. C. Webb.....	Romoke, Ala.....	13	14	1	14	1	1	202	11	53
Rock Spring.....	Chambers.....	3	W. C. Bledsoe.....	J. C. Webb.....	Romoke, Ala.....	13	14	1	14	1	1	202	11	53
Rock Mills.....	Tallapoosa.....	1	G. L. Bell.....	G. V. McCormack.....	LaFayette, Ala.....	8	11	1	5	10	1	237	4	50
Shiloh.....	Chambers.....	2	W. R. Whatley.....	L. Burden.....	Jackson's Gap, Ala.....	8	11	1	5	10	1	237	4	50
Sunny Creek.....	Randolph.....	2	J. A. Dunn.....	J. B. Blackmon.....	Rock Mill's, Ala.....	8	22	1	6	3	1	88	4	52
Tallapoosa.....	Chambers.....	4	A. S. Brannon.....	G. A. Luncsford.....	Wise, Ala.....	4	2	2	2	2	1	40	4	50
Tallapoosa.....	Tallapoosa.....	4	A. S. Brannon.....	G. A. Luncsford.....	Wise, Ala.....	4	2	2	2	2	1	40	4	50
Tallapoosa.....	Chambers.....	3	J. L. Gregory.....	C. Henderson.....	Jackson, Ala.....	22	9	13	1	1	1	109	7	71
Waverly.....	Chambers.....	1	C. J. Burden.....	J. T. Hester.....	Gold Hill, Ala.....	3	5	5	8	8	1	109	7	71
Total.....	Total.....					21	15	15	197	22	33	1451	148	446

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